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ALEXANDRIA, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1904.

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Peninsular & Oriental S. N. Company.

The following steamers are intended to leave Port Said on or about the following dates:-

Steamer	Date	Destination
"ARABIA"	7, 1904	for Suez, Port Said, and London.
"JAFAR"	14, 1904	for Suez, Port Said, and London.
"SOMALI"	21, 1904	for Suez, Port Said, and London.
"SOMALI"	28, 1904	for Suez, Port Said, and London.
"SOMALI"	5, 1905	for Suez, Port Said, and London.
"SOMALI"	12, 1905	for Suez, Port Said, and London.
"SOMALI"	19, 1905	for Suez, Port Said, and London.
"SOMALI"	26, 1905	for Suez, Port Said, and London.
"SOMALI"	3, 1906	for Suez, Port Said, and London.
"SOMALI"	10, 1906	for Suez, Port Said, and London.
"SOMALI"	17, 1906	for Suez, Port Said, and London.
"SOMALI"	24, 1906	for Suez, Port Said, and London.

Port-Said to London via Brindisi.
The BRINDISI steamer leaves PORT-SAID after arrival of Indian Mail. Combined steamer and sleeping car fare from PORT-SAID to LONDON via BRINDISI or via Marseilles £25 0 11.

To the East.
The Mail Steamers leave SUEZ for ADEN and BOMBAY every Wednesday, and for AUSTRALIA and CHINA every alternate Wednesday. A steamer leaves for CALCUTTA, Singapore, and another for JAPAN. Passengers can embark at PORT-SAID.

For all further information apply to the Company's Agents, Messrs. T. S. COOK & SON (Egypt) Ltd., 10, Abou-El-Kheir Street, CAIRO. POST-SAID, ALEXANDRIA, F. G. DAVIDSON, Superintendent F. & O. S. N. Company in Egypt. SUEZ. 31-12-04

Orient-Pacific Line of Royal Mail Steamers.

OUTWARDS to AUSTRIA.
R.M.S. Omrah will leave Suez about Nov. 4.
HOMWARDS to NAPLES, MARSAILLES, GIBRALTAR, LONDON, LIVERPOOL.
R.M.S. Omrah will leave Port-Said about Nov. 7.
R.M.S. Omrah will leave Port-Said about Nov. 10.
R.M.S. Omrah will leave Port-Said about Nov. 13.
R.M.S. Omrah will leave Port-Said about Nov. 16.
R.M.S. Omrah will leave Port-Said about Nov. 19.
R.M.S. Omrah will leave Port-Said about Nov. 22.
R.M.S. Omrah will leave Port-Said about Nov. 25.
R.M.S. Omrah will leave Port-Said about Nov. 28.
R.M.S. Omrah will leave Port-Said about Dec. 1.
R.M.S. Omrah will leave Port-Said about Dec. 4.
R.M.S. Omrah will leave Port-Said about Dec. 7.
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R.M.S. Omrah will leave Port-Said about Dec. 25.
R.M.S. Omrah will leave Port-Said about Dec. 28.
R.M.S. Omrah will leave Port-Said about Jan. 1, 1905.

Passengers landed and embarked at Ismailia, Quarantine Regulations permitting, free of all expense.
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A fresh westerly wind, was prevalent yesterday till 7 p.m.
when the wind fell very light and remained almost calm
throughout the night, accompanied with vivid flashes of
lightning. Barometer remains steady.

OTHER STATIONS.

For the 24 hours ending 3 a.m. Yesterday.

Barometer.	Max. temp. in the shade.	Min. temp. in the shade.	Barometer.	Max. temp. in the shade.	Min. temp. in the shade.
Port Said.	57	50	Wady Gharah.	58	53
Aden.	50	40	Barbar.	58	50
Malindi.	81	70	Beledje.	84	80
Chibul.	81	70	Khartoum.	80	80
Wadi Gharah.	—	—	Wadi Gharah.	81	81
Aden.	80	74	Aden.	80	74
Aden.	82	76	Aden.	82	76

FOREIGN STATIONS.

Barometer.	Therm.	Wind.	Temp.	State.
Vienna.	78.6	Light	54.8	Slight
Berlin.	78.8	Light	54.9	Slight
Paris.	81.4	Moder.	54.2	Very
London.	79.6	Very	53.9	Light
Amsterdam.	80.5	Light	55.0	Clear

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THE SETTLEMENT OF THE QUESTION.

The satisfactory alleviation of the terrible
state of tension which has prevailed throughout
the last week, in consequence of the Baltic
Fleet outrage, is a matter for congratulation
to the whole world, and as our telegrams
announced yesterday, the Continental Press is
unanimous in welcoming the agreement for the
settlement of this incident by pacific methods.
We in Egypt have also special cause for
congratulating ourselves on the happy issue,
for there is no doubt that had war ensued
between England and Russia the coming
season would have been in a great measure
ruined. But there are larger and more per-
manent considerations involved in this sub-
mission to a peaceful settlement, inasmuch as
it acknowledges the power of arbitration to
settle international disputes, even when they
happen to involve questions of vital interest
and national honour. As Germany to this
subject reference may be made to the im-
portant article on the settlement of inter-
national differences in the latest *Fortnightly*
Review to hand from the able pen of Sir
Thomas Barclay, who has had great practical
experience in preparing such treaties. It is
to be noted, in the first place, that from
treaties of arbitration are excluded matters
involving the "vital interests" or "national
honour" of either party, which is the exclusion
of the very matters which seem the only ones
capable of influencing public opinion to a
dangerous point. What is a "vital interest"?
The independence of a state itself is a vital
interest. A deliberate breach in the establish-
ment of nations of fundamental importance
must be vital to one state and not to another.
"Vital," of course, means something of such
gravity that it cannot be settled by an award
of damages, in which, in other words, there
is no solution but reversion to the *status quo*
ante. "National honour" is very like a "vital
interest" but it generally arises out of the
overheated discussion of some question which
was originally a judicial one. Every question

condition in which they were fit to be supported by force." It will be for the diplomatists under these treaties to reduce the respective claims of their Governments to the minimum, to bring them down to the essential point or points beyond which neither Government will give way. In many cases, probably this whittling process will suggest solutions, as in private litigation, and they will be "settled out of court."

On the other hand, it would be mere optimism to think the diplomatist in this further stage of the negotiations will always be successful. There are diplomatists and diplomatists. There are the diplomatists of the "new school," who like to carry on their business in the broad light of day, and think the hand-claps of an audience help them to their task. There are others—and thank goodness they are the majority—who prefer the more noble and, as history has proved, more successful, methods by which diplomacy has earned an honourable and a commendable meaning. Lord Dufferin once observed that war, in his opinion, was generally an accident of diplomacy. To avoid such accidents, men trained in the courtesy of nations, and gifted with the necessary graces of mind and manner, and with resourcefulness—the most essential quality of the diplomatist—should of course be selected to fill, at any rate, the more delicate positions. Mistakes inherent to things human can be laid to the charge of most Governments in their choice of representatives; one of the advantages of permanent treaties of arbitration will be to make errors remediable. It is not, by the way, without its lesson that the United States Governments select their diplomatic representatives from among the men of the whole party who seem to the President, by their natural gifts and character, and experience and knowledge of their country's practical affairs, best adapted for each responsible post. It is certain that the United States have been able, in spite of certain shortcomings, through their diplomatic representatives, to make friends for their country all over the world. The best engine can be driven inefficiently. The Anglo-French Treaty, in the hands of a skilled driver, is quite a storehouse of resources for the prolongation of negotiations. We may assume that when a difficulty arises the object of the one or the other Government will be from the very first peace or war. If it be peace, they will have ample means of removing the subject from the danger of acute public controversy. National passions, like most other nervous maladies, are generally curable if left to the benign influence of time. To gain time in an emergency is generally the difficulty. The Anglo-French Treaty will certainly enable the Governments, if they wish to profit by it to gain all the time they want. The employment of pacific methods in arranging international difficulties is a commanding event in the history of the progress of civilisation, and is one of the greatest works with which statesmen can couple their names. "The greatest of British interests is peace." At any rate, it is a "vital interest" of the democratic elements of every nation, and the satisfactory solution of last week's incident, whereby a Russian *Trafalgar* has been averted, should be acclaimed by all who have the interests of international unity at heart. Just as England was the pioneer of civilisation in her efforts to suppress the slave trade, so here again she will be found in the vanguard of nations desirous of maintaining the world's peace, and the entire civilised world should be grateful to British statesmanship for having refrained from drawing the sword when our national honour and sense of humanity had been so deeply wounded by the piratical escapades of the Baltic fleet.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

SIGNIFICANT MOVEMENT OF JAPANESE.

ASSUMING THE OFFENSIVE.

ST. PETERSBURG, October 31. General Kuropatkin reports that the Japanese have begun a significant movement by concentrating eastwards. They are receiving reinforcements, evidently preparatory to assuming the offensive. (Reuter.)

ST. PETERSBURG, October 31. A telegram yesterday from General Kuropatkin states that the Japanese have begun to take the offensive. (Reuter.)

Admiral Alexieff has left for Russia. (H.)

JAPANESE WAR TAXATION.

TOKYO, October 31. The Diet will meet on the 25th November in order to discuss the Budget, which will double the Income Tax and augment other taxes for the purpose of meeting the war expenditure. (Reuter.)

FIRST MANCHURIAN ARMY.

ST. PETERSBURG, October 31. General Linievich has been appointed to command the first Manchurian Army. (H.)

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PORT ARTHUR.

VIGOROUS FIGHTING.

TWO POSITIONS CAPTURED.

CHU-FU, October 31. The general attack on Port Arthur is proceeding with unabated vigour. The Japanese have captured two positions. (H.)

CHU-FU, October 31. The battle was still raging at Port Arthur yesterday. (Reuter.)

THE BALTIC FLEET.

OPENING OF RUSSIAN ENQUIRY.

ANGLO-RUSSIAN CONVENTION

VICO, October 31. The Russian enquiry opened here yesterday. (Reuter.)

TANGIER, October 31. Five Russian destroyers have left. The remainder of the fleet is coaling and provisioning. (Reuter.)

REAR-ADMIRAL BRIDGMAN, from Gibraltar, has visited the British Legation. (Reuter.)

LONDON, October 31. Great Britain and Russia are negotiating a special convention for the appointment of a commission of enquiry. The latter will probably meet at Cherbourg. (Reuter.)

END OF MOBILISATION MANOEUVRES.

GIBRALTAR, October 31. The mobilisation manoeuvres ended yesterday. (Reuter.)

BRITISH TROOPSHIP ESCORTED.

GIBRALTAR, October 31. The troopship *Asaga* was detained here, but has since proceeded escorted by H.M.S. *Illustration*. (Reuter.)

SERVIA AND ROUMANIA.

ENTENTE BETWEEN THE COUNTRIES.

SOPIA, October 31. King Peter is visiting Prince Ferdinand. The ceremonies include the singing of a Te Deum. At a banquet given this evening at the Russian Agency, Prince Ferdinand and King Peter drank the most cordial toasts, declaring that the present cordials imposed a close entente between the two countries. The Macedonians published a protest asserting that the object of the entente is the partition of Macedonia. The British Agent was absent from all the ceremonies. (Reuter.)

SOPIA, October 31. The King of Serbia has been paying a visit to Prince Ferdinand. They exchanged toasts to the fraternity of the two peoples. (Havas.)

DEATH OF DAN LENO.

LONDON, October 31. Dan Leno is dead. (Reuter.)

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE NEW STATION at Koubbeh has been completed at a total cost of L.E. 1,500.

KING'S BIRTHDAY.—On the 9th inst., being the King's Birthday, the Governorate with all the consulates and agencies will have their flags flying.

RECEPTION.—On Friday, 11th inst., Count Arrivabene Gonnaga will hold a reception at the Italian Agency in honour of the birthday of H.M. the King of Italy.

ARABIC MUSEUM.—From to-day up to April 31, the Museum of Arab Art, in Cairo, will be open daily, except on Fridays and public holidays, from 9 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

AGRICULTURAL ROADS.—Mr. N. Zagoras has been appointed engineer in charge of the construction of the projected agricultural roads in the province of Assiout, at L.E. 27½ per annum.

SUEZ CANAL.—On the 28th ult., 10 vessels passed through the Suez Canal. Of these, 8 were British, 1 German, and 1 French. The transit and passenger dues for the day amounted to 307,812.69 francs. The total transit and passenger dues collected from the 1st to that date on 346 vessels amounted to 9,162,669.48 fr.

EXIT THE "PATRIOT".—The rumour is gaining ground in native circles that, as a result of his recent letter to the Khedive, Mostapha Pasha Kamel will be exiled from the country. Apropos of this rumour, the *Watan* says that if the worthy "patriot" is not exiled from the country he is at any rate exiled from the hearts of the Egyptians.

THE KHEDIVÉ.

H. H. the Khedive will leave Alexandria on Tuesday next by special train from Montazah at 7.30 a.m., and will arrive at Cairo at 11.30 a.m., proceeding direct to Abdou Palace.

H. H. the Khedive and children will leave Montazah Palace at 7.40 a.m. on the same day, and will arrive at the new Koubbeh station at 12.30 p.m. Her Highness will stay at Koubbeh Palace.

On the occasion of his approaching departure for Cairo, the Khedive will hold a reception at Ras-el-Tin Palace on Saturday next. The order in which the reception will be held will appear in to-morrow's issue.

THE MINISTERS.

The Ministers will leave Cairo for Alexandria on the 5th inst., and will remain here till the 8th, when they accompany the Khedive to Cairo.

VISIT OF PRINCE LEOPOLD.

H. H. Prince Leopold of Battenberg, who is to spend the winter in Egypt, will be arriving in Cairo about the middle of December. A suite of apartments has been taken for his Highness at the Hotel d'Angleterre.

VISIT OF BISHOP OF GIBRALTAR.

The Bishop of Gibraltar and Mrs. Collins are expected to pay a visit to Alexandria shortly, on the conclusion of their visit to Constantinople.

FINANCE MINISTRY.

An arrêt of the above Ministry states that Mr. Mitchell Innes, Under-Secretary of State for this department, will be replaced on the special council of discipline during his absence on leave by Ibrahim Pasha Noubil, Under-Secretary of State for the Ministry of the Interior.

NEW ASSIZE COURTS.

A series of meetings has been held by the Committee of the Legislative Council under the presidency of Sheikh Mohamed Abdou. The Judicial Adviser, Mr. Bond, Vice-President of the Native Court of Appeal, Mr. Brunyati, the Chef des Contentieux de l'Etat, and Abdel Khalek Bey Sarwat were present and took part in the discussion of the question of the new Assize Courts.

MIXED COURTS.

The magistrates of the Alexandria Mixed Tribunal of 1st Instance held a meeting yesterday afternoon and re-elected Judge Ernest Eoman as president of the Tribunal. M. B. de Zoltan was elected vice-president and president of the Commercial Chamber, in place of M. P. Rauret, Spanish judge, who has resigned. The new vice-president has only been in Egypt for three years.

MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR.

Bimbashi Martin, formerly inspector in the Ministry of the Interior, has now replaced Bewley Bey as director of stores at Boulak. Kaimakam Paterson Bey, Assistant Commandant of Police, Cairo, has been transferred to the Ministry of the Interior. It has not yet been decided who will take Paterson Bey's place. Kaimakam Melville, late Commandant of the Port Said Police, has commenced his new duties at the Ministry of the Interior as sub-inspector. Scholch Bey, the newly-appointed Commandant of the Port Said Police, in place of Kaimakam Melville, has been granted the rank of Miralay.

GREAT IMPROVEMENTS AT CAIRO.

It is stated that on the completion of the filling in of the land between the Port des Anglais and the Café des Tramways on the Ghiseh road, a promenade will be constructed along the Nile bank from ten to fifteen metres in width.

WORKMEN'S DWELLINGS.

At to-morrow's meeting of the Municipal Commission an application made by the Tenants Commission, asking the Municipal Commission to guarantee the interest of 4% or to undertake the issue of a special loan for building workmen's dwellings, will be discussed.

ALHAMBRA THEATRE.

An excellent performance of *Les Deux Gosses* (Two Little Vagabonds) was given last night by the French comedy company, whose successful season at this theatre draws to a close this week.

The Castellane Italian opera company is to pay a return visit to the Alhambra on the conclusion of its Cairo engagement.

NIAM-NIAM.—Names of African tribes are generally a puzzle to the uninitiated, but few would suspect the origin of "Niam-Niam"—the name of the tribe to whom country the Sudan Government is said to be sending an expedition. It is not the designation by which the people call themselves, which is *A-Zandeh*. The *A-Zandeh* are noted for their intelligence and for a degree of culture considerably in advance of neighbouring tribes, they are also noted for their cannibal propensities, and it is credibly stated—by travellers such as Schweinfurth—that "Niam-Niam" is nothing more than the nickname bestowed by the Arabs in imitation of the sound made by the *A-Zandeh* when enjoying one of their cannibal feasts. It is to the Arabs, by the way, that we owe the common word *Kaffir*—i.e., an unbeliever in Mohamed.

NIAM-NIAM EXPEDITION.

UNFOUNDED REPORTS.

A number of our English contemporaries published the following telegram from Cairo last week:—

"The expedition to the Niam-Niam country has now been definitely decided upon, and, as already stated, it will be composed of about two thousand Sudanese troops under British officers. The base of the expedition will be Wad, in the Bah-el-Ghazal. Stores are now being rapidly accumulated there. It is hoped to make a start some time in December. It is now believed the Niam-Niams have a force of fully 15,000 fighting men."

"Major Boulnois, R.A., of the Egyptian Army, will take command of the expedition. His force will consist of a company of Mounted Infantry, the 9th and the 10th Sudanese battalions, and half of the 15th battalion, with Maxim."

"It will be remembered that in February of this year Major Boulnois, with a force of about 1,000 men, attempted to reach the Niam-Niam country, but in view of the threatening attitude of the inhabitants and the smallness of his force he was compelled to retire. The Niam-Niams are a vigorous Sudanese race, very jealous of their independence, and likely to resent any attempt on the part of the Government of the Sudan to enter into relations with them. They have Remington rifles, and also use bows and poisoned arrows. The country is most difficult, being covered with long grass, and the paths which intersect it are so narrow that it is only possible to march in single file. Water, however, is said to be plentiful."

We can only say that the above statements are greatly exaggerated. On enquiry at official sources we learn that there is no question of a campaign against the whole of the Niam-Niam tribe. The above story probably originated from the fact that the Sirdar and Major Boulnois are going shortly on an inspection of the Bah-el-Ghazal garrison, and that one of the Niam-Niam chiefs, called Yambio, gave some trouble to the authorities a few months ago.

SIRDAR AT ASSOUAN.

ASSOUAN, Monday.—The Sirdar, H.E. Sir R. Wingate Pasha, arrived here at midday to-day by boat from Luxor and left again for Halfa at one o'clock. Lady Wingate remains in Cairo for another 15 days. (Our Correspondent.)

EGYPTIAN NITRATES AND PHOSPHATES SYNDICATE.

The development of the syndicate for exploiting the concession, recently granted by the Egyptian Government for the purpose of providing manure, is proceeding apace. An engineer from England has recently been inspecting the syndicate's concession near Enfeh, and plans have been made for laying down the necessary material. The machinery will be shipped from England in a few months' time, and the railway plant for taking the nitrates from the desert to the river bank is already on its way from Alexandria. The concession is situated in the districts of Enfeh and Coptos.

EGYPTIAN MINING.

Mr. A. P. Mack, managing director of the Nile Valley Co., writes from Um Garsiat:— "May I call your attention to an error which appears in the paragraph headed 'Mining Expedition' in your paper under date of 20th inst. I did not join Mr. Wells as a leader in his expedition, neither was the expedition intended to demonstrate the validity of my company's claims. Mr. Wells informed me, on my arrival in Egypt early in September, that he was passing through my company's territory on his way South and East, and would halt at Um Garsiat to rest and water his camels, and to take the opportunity of riding with him from Assouan to Um Garsiat, where I have since remained."

MOTOR TRACTION FOR CAIRO.

An application has been addressed to the Ministry of Public Works for permission to institute a service of motor wagons for the transport of sand and stones from the quarries in the neighbourhood of the Capital. Messrs. Theodoridis and Adamidis, of Alexandria, are the applicants.

While the question of motor wagons is under consideration, it is worth while asking why some energetic capitalist does not also apply for a permit to work motor buses in Cairo. The present buses are eyecases as vehicles, cumbersome in construction, constantly obstructing the traffic, and far too heavy for the miserable quadrupeds which have to draw them.

We understand that the Omnibus Company is composed of some of the most influential capitalists in Cairo and it returns a substantial dividend of, so rumour hath it, about 80 per cent. per annum. A 24 share in this company is now worth £30, so there should be every chance for successfully launching a motor omnibus company, as there are many streets in Cairo, especially in the native quarters, which can never be tapped by the Tramway Company. Moreover, many of the narrow streets in the native quarters, where a small motor bus carrying sixteen passengers could circulate, would not be available for the cumbersome omnibuses now in vogue.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Khedivial S.S. *Mitch* will leave Alexandria on Saturday and Port Said on Sunday for Beyrout, Tripoli, Messina, Alexandria, Gitta, and Jeddah. The S.S. *Sardis*, of the Paphos Line, left Liverpool yesterday afternoon and is expected to arrive at this port on the 10th inst.

AN EGYPTIAN ADVENTURER.

HIS EXPLOITS IN PARIS.

A Paris correspondent writes under date of the 33rd inst:—

An Egyptian adventurer, who gave himself out as Prince George, and is said to be the son of a Cairo diamond merchant, has been tried and convicted for swindling Paris jewellers and dealers in precious stones. This man, who lived in a garret of the slums, was able by his representations to obtain on credit rubies, diamonds, pearls, and sapphires from nearly a dozen dealers. From one jeweller alone he had goods worth £2,000. The sham prince was well known in the world of amusement. He associated with actresses, variety artists, circus riders, tight-rope dancers, and several demi-mondaines, including Blondinette Dalesa, who was brought forward prominently in the romance of the phantom millions as the fair friend of Romain Daurignac, Madame Humbert's gay brother. Mlle. Dalesa, who has appeared occasionally on the stage, was called as a witness yesterday in the Ninth Correctional Chamber, where "Prince George," the Egyptian, was tried. She said that she knew the prince chiefly through his little friend, Madame Karat, of the Marigny Theatre. George was presented to Mlle. Dalesa at the Cascade Restaurant in the Rue de Boulogne, and she subsequently saw him waiting for Madame Karat at the Marigny restaurant. One day George put two valuable rings on Madame Karat's fingers. "Did he ever put any on yours?" queried the President of the Court. "No," said Blondinette, "he never gave me anything. A few days ago he came to me, and asked me to tell his little friend Karat that he was called away suddenly to Brussels." Also, in answer to the President, Mlle. Dalesa said that George spent a lot of money, and lived like a man who had £12,000 a year. He hired a carriage and pair for Karat, and had for himself a luxurious motor-car of the most modern make. The Egyptian was sentenced to imprisonment for two years and to a fine of £20, this being the maximum penalty in his case.

COQUELIN AINE AT ALEXANDRIA.

We give below the complete programme of the performances to be given at the Ziziina Theatre by Coquelin Aine and his company:— Friday, 4th November.—*Tartuffe*, comedy in 5 acts by Molière.—*Les Précieuses Ridicules*, comedy in 1 act by Molière. Saturday, 5th.—*L'Abbé Constantin*, comedy in 5 acts by Ludovic Halévy and F. De Caillavet.—*Monologues* given by M. Coquelin Aine. Sunday, 6th.—3rd and 5th Acts of *Cyrano de Bergerac*, a heroic-comic play by M. Ed. Rostand.—*Le Cœur à sa saison*, comedy in 1 act by Messrs. de Caillavet and de Flers. Monday, 7th.—*Le Gendre de M. Poirier*, comedy in 4 acts by M. de Maupassant and Jules Sandeau.—*Monologues* given by M. Coquelin Aine.—*Le Dilemme Amoureux*, comedy in 2 acts by Molière. Tuesday, 8th.—*Le Dilemme de Bombignac*, comedy in 5 acts by M. A. Bisson, and *La Vie fait peur*, comedy in 1 act by M. Emile de Girardin. Wednesday, 9th.—*L'aveugle*, comedy in 4 acts by R. Augier.—*Gringoire*, comedy in 1 act by M. Th. de Banville. Subscribers for the series of performances are requested to withdraw their coupons from Zoller's Bookstall, Cherif Pasha-street.

PASSENGER LISTS.

ARRIVALS.

Le paquebot *Imailho*, de la Cie Khediviale arrive hier de Constantinople, Metélin, Smyrne et Pirée, avec à bord: S.A. la Princesse Said Pasha Halim et suite de 32 personnes, S.E. et Mme Mohamed Bey Moustafa, M. et Mme Panayotti Theodoridis et famille, Dr. et Mme Iakovarou et famille, M. et Mme Abdul Hamid Effendi El Sadecani, M. et Mme Zolichis et famille, M. et Mme Kerantem, M. et Mme De Saumarez, M. et Mme Nicolopoulou, M. et Mme A. Pangalos et suite, M. et Mme Drosos et suite, M. et Mme Tanelias, M. et Mme Patonios et famille, M. et Mme Taitoulis, M. le Baron de Belov, M. M. Calvorescu, Nomikos, J. Kasanos, O. Majomati, T. Nicolopoulou, J. Tsaurti, S. Menstis, N. Lely, Angelopoulou, Mme Nestoros, M. et Mme Théodore Zelendis et famille, M. Triaridis et sa suite, Mmes Natalia Nicolai et Sarah, Moissesso, M. A. Harndt, M. Harizakis, Jean Pemaagou, N. Casanera, Mmes Ibrahim Effendi et Tervik Bey, N. Vergopoulou, N. J. Manusso, Nicola Tsasopoulou, Madame Sevastopoulou, M. et Madame A. S. Baltanis, Sophos Birvianaris, Nicolas Kyriakidis, M. Stokter, Elis Hasan, Mmes Allaghi et Haydin, Anna Vola, Madame Batani et sa suite, P. Mandras, P. Leonidi, M. Codocis, C. Condouras, M. Triandafillidis, S. Pappagorgiou, Jean Caratas, Simi Bey, Ramin Bey Hussein, M. et Mme David Manar et famille, Mme Zohra, M. J. A. Cioconaggi, A. Rapi, Mme A. Sakakini et famille, J. A. Ovgianlin, Mohamed Soliman Agha, Ismail Eff. Ahmed, Rami Valianou, Chemsigall, Hannonas, Carvina, Ali-moff, Mme E. Luzzati, Mme D. Luzzati, M. M. Kadiou, Kadim, Mohamed Eff. Cherif, Perid Hassan, M. Gruner, Jules Cherdias, Madame Theodoridis, J. Papouloupoulou, Michel Rige, 48 pelerins et 132 passagers de pont.

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PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Princess Said Pasha Halim arrived at Alexandria to-day from Constantinople by the S.S. *Imailho*.

The Maharajah of Jhalawar visited the tomb of the Khalifs, the Pyramids, and Sakharah on Saturday and Sunday.

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